

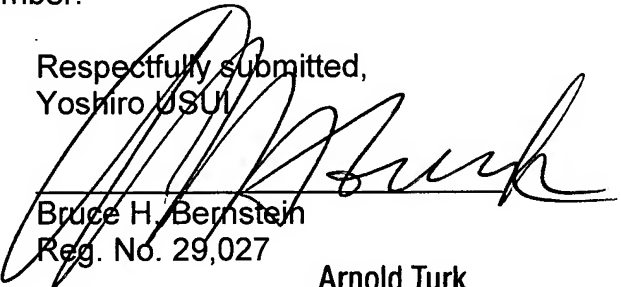
REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to examination of the above-identified patent application to correct errors in the specification and to clarify the claims. For example, in the specification, the saturated aqueous sodium solution has been clarified to indicate that it is a saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution.

The amendment to the specification made in this amendment has not been made to overcome the prior art, and thus, should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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